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RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Office Communication dated October 17, 2007. Applicants believe that the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement filed on October 9, 2007 was in compliance with 37 CFR 1.97(d). Specifically, a certification complying with 37 CFR 1.97(e) was included in the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement Transmittal Letter and the certification's inclusion was indicated. In this regard, Applicants indicated that "After the mailing date of a Final Action under 37 CFR 1.113, a Notice of Allowance under 37 CFR 1.311, or an Action that otherwise closes prosecution in the application and is accompanied by the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(p) **and the certification specified in 37 CFR 1.97(e) follows.**" Further, the inclusion of the foreign search report on the PTO-1449 with a date of less than three months from the filing of the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement indicates that the statement "The undersigned counsel for applicant(s) hereby certifies each item of information contained in the accompanying Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the Information Disclosure Statement," must be the referenced certification. Moreover, the references cited in the search report were also cited in the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement.

However, in the spirit of cooperation a revised Transmittal Letter and Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement are enclosed herewith. The references are not included, as the references were previously submitted. Additionally, Applicants believe that no fees are due as the fee was included in the October 9, 2007 response. However, if any fees are outstanding the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 02-1818.

Respectfully submitted,

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